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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: MO, AG, SS

SUBJECT: POLISARIO FOREIGN MINISTER'S WASHINGTON
ACTIVITIES

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3. ON NOVEMBER 29 AND 30 MOROCCAN AMBASSADOR BENGELLOUN PROTESTED VIGOROUSLY TO DEPARTMENT ADEL'S PLANS TO HOLD PRESS CONFERENCE AND FILM SHOWINGS. HE CLAIMED CANADIAN AUTHORITIES HAD PROHIBITED SIMILAR ACTIVITIES BY ADEL. HE CHARACTERIZED U.S. TOLERANCE OF ADEL'S PUBLIC ACTIVITIES AS INSULT TO KING HASSAN. BENGELLOUN WAS TOLD THAT DEPARTMENT

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